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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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- 1. AFTER YOU HAVE THE FINAL DECEMBER FIGURES, WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE CONSULAR SECTION WOULD PRODUCE AN UPDATE OF THE EXIT-VISAS-FOR-THE-US STATISTICS SHEET, USING THE FORMAT LARRY NAPPER USED IN THE ONE HE COMPILED LAST JANUARY. STATISTICS BY CALENDAR YEAR ARE PARTICULARLY USEFUL TO US.
- 2. HAVE SENT TO YOU VIA POUCH VERY LENGTHY TWO-PART ARTICLE BY PAUL BRODEUR IN THE NEW YORKER ON MICROWAVES. PRESS GUIDANCE BEING SENT. IT'S GENERALLY A TREATISE AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT'S HANDLING OF THE ISSUE AND SPECIFICALLY CITES OTP AND THE MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENT AS NOT TAKING SERIOUSLY SCIENTIFIC DATA ON HOW MICROWAVES AFFECT HUMAN BEHAVIOR AND QUESTIONS THE CONFIDENTIAL

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CURRENT U.S. STANDARD. HE CONTENDS THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ON THIS ISSUE HAS RANGED FROM EVASION AND OBFUSCATION OF THE PROBLEM TO OUTRIGHT SUPPRESSION OF MEDICAL

DATA RELATING TO IT IN THE NAME OF NATIONAL SECURITY.
THE PORTIONS RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT'S ROLE CONCERNING

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW DO NOT REVEAL ANYTHING NEW, BUT IT TAKES ISSUE WITH THE USG'S HANDLING OF THE PROBLEM. MAJOR THRUST OF ARTICLE IS THAT SINCE THIS PROBLEM AFFECTS THE WELL BEING OF EVERYONE, THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY MUST BE GIVEN FREE REIN TO THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATE THIS PROBLEM WITHOUT SUPPRESSION FROM THE GOVERNMENT.

- 3. FYI. THERE IS AN EFFORT UNDERWAY IN WASHINGTON, WHICH EUR HAS SUPPORTED BUT NOT INSTIGATED OR LED, TO INSTITUTE A PAROLE PROGRAM TO CLEAR OUT THE BACKLOG OF TCPS AND DROP-OUTS IN ROME. WE UNDERSTAND THERE ARE ABOUT 4.000 IN ROME.
- 4. ON CHAKOVSKIY WE HAVE A CABLE AWAITING CLEARANCE UPSTAIRS TELLING YOU TO TURN HIM DOWN IN RETALIATION FOR FASCELL IF YOU CONCUR. THE CSCE COMMISSION WANTS SOME RETALIATION AND CHAKOVSKIY IS A MEMBER OF THE SUPREME SOVIET CSCE COMMITTEE.
- 5. PARA 2 ABOVE REPEATS SOME OF WHAT WE SENT LAST NIGHT BUT IT PROVIDES A LITTLE ADDITIONAL INSIGHT. ROBINSON

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